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Mark Wilson, Director OCCTE 700 Governor's Drive Pierre, SD 57501

Dear Mark:

We are formally requesting a program name change for our Field Engineering Technician program to Environmental Engineering Technician. The current name is somewhat confusing to perspective students. Replacing "Environmental" for "Field" in the title will convey a more accurate description of the program placing it more in line with industry requirements. Program graduates will likely work under the supervision of a professional Environmental Scientist, Hydrologist or Environmental Engineer, assisting with data collection activities necessary to monitor environmental conditions or work as part of a team to solve complex environmental problems.

The name change does not affect approved curriculum. If you have any questions concerning this request, contact Jo-Ann Elseman, <u>JoAnn.Elseman@wdt.edu</u>, Dr. Diane Grahek, <u>Diane.Grahek@wdt.edu</u> or myself.

Sincerely.

Dr. Craig Bailey, President

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